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X  In accordance with the Duty of Disclosure, Applicant(s) submit(s) herewith a copy of Foreign Search Report in a counterpart application and copies of the reference(s) indicated therein.

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X  Attached hereto is a FORM PTO 1449 listing the references.

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Applicant petitions for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being submitted after receipt of an office action. It is respectfully requested that the required fee be charged to the account of the undersigned: 19-4675.

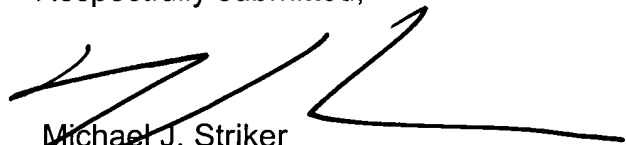
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- \_\_\_ Attached hereto are copies of references cited which may be pertinent to this application. Since the references are in the English language, no statement of relevancy is submitted.
- \_\_\_ Attached hereto is a copy of the Office Action issued in the corresponding German application, together with a translation thereof and copies of the references cited therein. A list of the cited references is also attached.
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- \_\_\_ Attached hereto is a Statement of Relevancy and copies of references cited therein.
- \_\_\_ Relevancy is indicated either in the English language abstract or an English language equivalent submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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